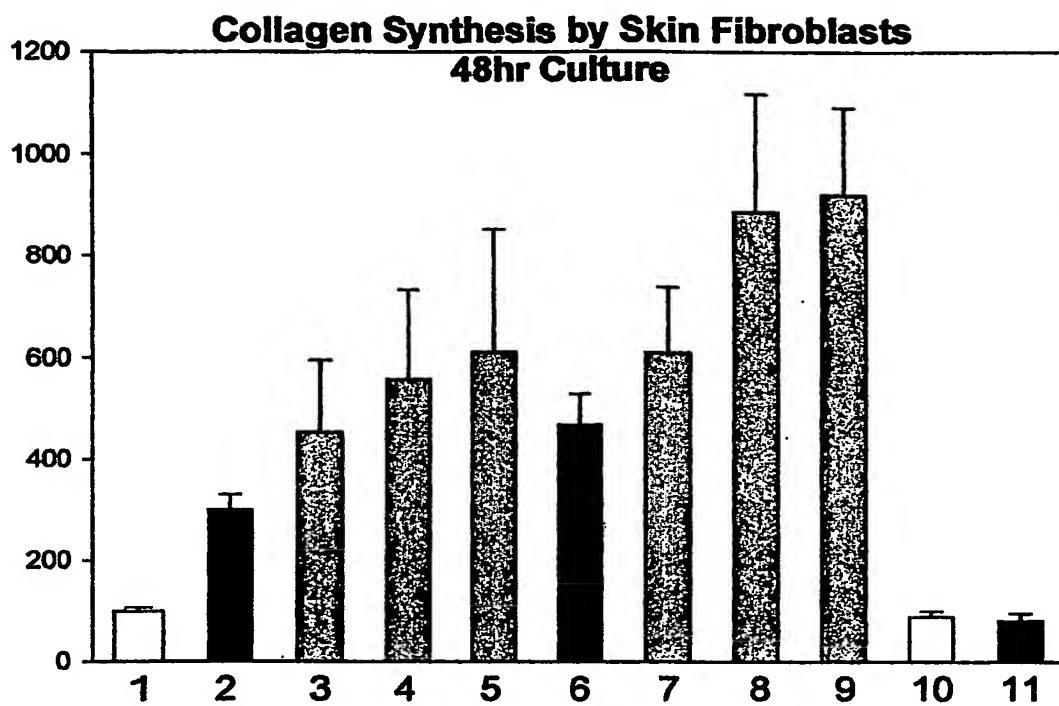


**Figure 1**



**Figure 1 Legend**

- Column 1 – Control (0.1%FBS)
- Column 2 – BMF 0.2mg/ml
- Column 3 – BMF 0.2mg/ml + 20mM Carnosine
- Column 4 - BMF 0.2mg/ml + 40mM Carnosine
- Column 5 - BMF 0.2mg/ml + 60mM Carnosine
- Column 6 - BMF 2.0mg/ml
- Column 7 - BMF 2.0mg/ml + 20mM Carnosine
- Column 8 - BMF 2.0mg/ml + 40mM Carnosine
- Column 9 - BMF 2.0mg/ml + 60mM Carnosine
- Column 10 - BMF 2.0mg/ml + 60mM Carnosine + collagenase (1mg/ml)
- Column 11 - 60mM Carnosine